



## What's the matter with matter?

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Like people, materials contain defects or imperfections not visible to the human eye. These variations can come into play during material creation and their use for many applications, including nuclear reactors and weapons. The Lab is currently developing a concept for a large-scale facility, called MaRIE (short for Matter-Radiation Interactions in Extremes), to probe materials during processing and while they are undergoing high stress to follow in real time the evolution of their defect structures. This work will help build design tools to predict the performance of real-life materials under important conditions.

Jack Shlachter, with the Lab's Theoretical Division, will help explore this topic.

Join us for discussion in which small things really do matter.

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